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INNOCENT, JIMMY

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In the Matter of the Claim of
JIMMY INNOCENT,

-against-

THE CITY OF NEW YORK.

44 Wall Street
New York, New York

February 2, 2007
3:07 p.m.

EXAMINATION of **JIMMY INNOCENT**, held at
the above time and place, pursuant to Notice,
taken before Stephanie Gonzalez, a reporter and
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Q Whose place?

A George Kato.

MS. JEAN: Off the record.

(Whereupon, a discussion was

held off the record.)

Q Was George Kato's house an apartment or private house?

A It's a loft.

Q Is that his residence or used as a
business?

A It's a kitchen downstairs, you know.

Q Is there a bedroom?

A No, just like a big loft, it has
an unstairs

Q How do you know George K. T. is

A I know him for quite some time.

Q How did you come to know him?

A It's been years

Q What floor does George Kato reside
on?

A I don't know

Q When you got to 138th between 5th
and Malcolm X, how did you get to his house?

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2 Q The building where this loft is,
3 is it an occupied building or an abandoned
4 building?

A It's an occupied building.

Q What happened to your friend
Backhand, was he in the loft as well?

8 A Who?

9 Q Backhand.

10 A Yeah, he was outside of the
11 building when everything happened.

Q But when you first went to the
loft was Backhand with you?

14 A Excuse me?

15 Q When you first went to the loft
16 was Backhand with you as well?

17 A Yes, we all went to the apartment.

18 Q When you went to George Kato's
19 loft was he with you then?

20 A He was outside the building. He
21 was standing outside the building.

22 Q When you first went to George
23 Kato's loft he remained outside, he never came
24 inside?

25 A No, he was inside, but he came

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Q Then you said there were two other
men on the lower level?

4 A Yes.

Q Who were they?

A Other friends of their friends who
I met before.

8 Friends of whom?

A. Of George Kato's

10 Q And those two people were there
11 before you got there?

12 A Yes.

13 Q They were there before you got
14 there or came after?

15 A They were there before I got
16 there

17 Q When you woke up and had handcuffs
18 on, did the police tell you why they put
19 handcuffs on you?

20 A No.

21 Q What happened after you woke up?

22 A They search my pockets, took my
23 money and I was telling him give me back my
24 money, why you going in my pockets. Other
25 police officers came around and talking to

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2 them about it, he came back and put back my
3 money.

4 Q How much money was it?

5 A \$601.

6 Q Where did you get this \$601 from?

7 A From my girlfriend.

8 Q When did you get that \$601?

9 A I got \$300 from my girlfriend.

10 Q When did you get that \$300?

11 A The night.

12 Q What about the other \$300, where
13 did you get that from?

14 A Found the money.

15 Q The police officers that you saw
16 in the loft were they uniformed or not?

17 A Uniform.

18 Q While they had you handcuffed were
19 they looking around the loft?

20 A Yes, they were looking around the
21 loft and he came to me while I was, other
22 officers came to me was like I was telling
23 them about this man, went in my pocket and
24 took the money and he was telling me I didn't
25 go in your pocket, I didn't go in your pocket.